

OUR TOWN

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Candles in Every Narberth Window

Old Custom Has Become a Local Institution



"Our Town," and the first silent salutation took the form of a single candle placed in each window, visible to the street or streets near the individual's home.

In 1916 115 homes had adopted the happy custom. And from the simple single candle form the salutation grew into geometric arrangements of candles displayed in every window of the house. One of the simpler of these arrangements was obtained by the use of two short candles and one tall candle, the tall candle being placed in the center and the two short candles on either side of the tall one.

In the intervening years, this custom has grown in amazing proportions and became a unique, looked-for happening to our local residents. Scarcely a block was without at least one candle greeting last year; most blocks had several, and some blocks had no houses that were without some form of the silent salute—the sign of "Peace on earth, good-will toward men."

The candle greeting is a very old custom in England, but is used in few places in the United States. Baltimore is one of the few large cities to consistently repeat the practice year after year, while New England has been rapidly developing a greater sentiment for this beautiful custom.

Narberth has adopted the greeting as its own and each year has found it more widely practiced. So let us beat last year's record—let us add every newcomer to the list and half as many more. Better still, let's see to it that every occupied house shows at least one candle on the eve of December 24th, and let's keep them burning until midnight.

One caution—be careful of the curtains! Year after year a bunch of over-practical fire-marshals cry out in horror at the custom of placing candles in the windows, and year after year, the organizations and newspapers that have some little regard for the old-fashioned, warm-hearted Christmas spirit, urge the people to join in the custom. The fire marshals are right in trying to avoid property loss, but their minds all run in the same channels, they seem to recognize the general public as a bunch of low-grade idiots who lack the intelligence to put back the curtains, and fasten them back.

If ordinary care is taken, and if no candles are left burning while the house is unoccupied, the danger is negligible. We have never yet had any trouble in Narberth from such a cause, and despite the fact that nearly every home now joins in, there is no reason to anticipate danger.

So let's all do our part, and if, in the bargain, the weather man gives us snow, Narberth will be a town worth inviting your friends to come out and see.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hollar, of Gordon avenue, are being congratulated upon the arrival of Betty Mae, on December 2. Mrs. Hollar returned from the Bryn Mawr Hospital Sunday.

Scouts Hear Talk on Discipline

Commander Van Auker Addresses Local Troop

"The best ever," was the verdict on last Monday's Boy Scout meeting. The log cabin was jammed to the baseboards and standing room only was reserved for the late comers.

Scoutmaster Cooke and his assistant, Lane, announced the program for the big rally on the 27th and the other business being dispensed with, Lt. Commander H. T. Van Auker, U. S. N., was introduced as the speaker of the evening.

He picked his own subject—a mighty appropriate one, too—"Discipline." The boys drank in every word of the able speaker, gathering facts from his own experience, told of patrol work of the American Squadron in the grand fleet during the war.

The boys heard how discipline helped the sailors of America and England in the North Sea fog and many examples were cited of the cheerful stoicism of the British at Jutland.

Commander Van Auker handled his subject cleverly and forcefully and there wasn't a boy in the whole troop who would have swapped last Monday evening for any one night in the calendar, with the possible exception of Christmas and New Year's Eve.

Scouting took on a new significance that night and every boy now has a keener realization of the importance of discipline in his daily work and in his scouting.

This was the first of a series of addresses on subjects relating to scouting. Others will be announced as the program is arranged.

The Scoutmaster is anxious for a full representation of the Narberth troop on December 27th and every member is expected to appear in uniform.

Correction.

The scout whose advancement to first-class was published in last week's issue was Byron Morton, and not Newton as printed.

Christmas Music in the Presbyterian Church.

There will be special music tomorrow, December 21, in the Presbyterian Church at both morning and evening services, under the direction of Mr. Peter Stam, Jr., organist and music director. Mr. Stam has assembled a most efficient church quartet consisting of the following:

Soprano, Mrs. C. J. Bergh; contralto, Mrs. J. B. Hipwell; tenor, Mr. H. G. Sparks; bass, Mr. L. W. Easby. In the morning they will sing the following numbers:

"Shout the Glad Tidings," Rockwell; "Like Silver Lamps," Duane; "There Were in the Same Country," Bohannon.

In the evening the beautiful Christmas cantata by Spence entitled "The Story of Bethlehem" will be sung by the church quartet, assisted by Mrs. P. Stam, Jr., soprano; Mrs. C. Artley Farmer, alto; Mr. J. DeWitt Murphy, tenor, and Mr. A. S. Digby, bass. The public is cordially invited to these meetings.

Shower to Miss Witherow.

Miss Virginia Hipple, of Media, gave a lingerie shower in honor of Miss Augusta D'Pherow in the form of a luncheon at L'Aiglon Cafe on Tuesday. Among the guests present were Mrs. William Durbin, Mrs. James Phillips D'Pherow, of Narberth; Mrs. Phillips Jenkins, Miss Alice Thwing, Miss Jeanne Davis, Mrs. Stanley Naabe, Miss Margaretta Van Pelt, Miss Hilda Reiter, Miss Chico D'Putron, Miss Alice Hay, Miss Irene Pile, of Philadelphia, and Miss Jane Butterworth and Mrs. John Hipple, of Media.

Miss Chico D'Putron also entertained in Miss D'Pherow's honor, with bridge and a supper at the Arcadia Restaurant Wednesday evening. The guests were Miss Virginia Hipple, Mrs. Stanley Naabe, Miss D'Pherow, Mr. Robert Scarlett, Mr. Frank Teegan, Mr. Stanley Naabe and Mr. Ernest Hibberd.

EVERY STAR A GIFT

Library Christmas Tree Brings Prompt Response.

Many stars have blossomed forth on the little Christmas tree in the Community Library since it was put up there last Monday, and every star represents a gift. What is much more significant, every star also indicates a cordial feeling of appreciation of the Library's service and a real personal desire to support it. As was previously stated no gifts are being solicited for the Library tree. All of them are voluntary and no person who comes to the Library for books is asked to contribute.

The Library Christmas tree has already developed many interesting incidents which show how intimately the Library is reaching the lives of many people in the community. A serious little girl, about nine years old, has been in the habit of coming into the Library every afternoon to read certain juvenile magazines for one-half hour. When her time is up she carefully places a slip of paper to mark her place in the magazine and goes away. Her systematic and eager reading attracted the attention of some of the staff, by whom it was narrated to an interested person, who immediately gave a year's subscription to another juvenile magazine and thereby caused another star to be put on the Christmas tree.

A man came into the Library one day this week to look over some of the books there with the idea of getting information as to what books to buy for Christmas gifts. He saw the tree and was very glad to make a gift of money. A woman, who says that in addition to reading the books she has enjoyed going to the Library frequently just to talk about books, also has contributed a "money star" to the tree.

A little boy examined the tree with much interest, asked about its significance and then contributed a nickel, saying that he "wanted to see a star there for himself." In the hurrying crowds in Broad Street Station, one day this week, a member of the Library staff was stopped by an equally busy woman who lives in Narberth, who said that she had read in "Our Town" the announcement regarding the Library Christmas tree and that she wanted to make a contribution of money and also of books. The tree will remain in the Library until after Christmas and a complete report of all of the gifts will be printed in January.

Car Was Stolen.

The Cadillac car owned by Mr. Raymond C. Jones, Borough Tax Collector, was stolen last week-end.

While Mrs. Jones was shopping on Haverford avenue Saturday afternoon the car was taken from in front of one of the stores. Later a Studebaker car, left by the thieves, was found abandoned on Windsor avenue.

No trace could be found of the car at that time, but Monday evening it was found abandoned in Chestnut Hill, where the thieves had changed to another car they appropriated there.

No clues have yet been found to the apprehension of these lightening-exchange artists.

Have You the Spirit of Christmas?

There is more than one way to acquire it.

What we want and need most is a reverent spirit, a reverent attitude toward that wonderful day which we receive through worship only. Worship in God's temple built for the worship of God and His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ. O, enter into His Courts with praise! Come and sing of His Birth, and hear the chorus choir of the Methodist Church sing this wonderful story with beautiful anthems in the morning, and a fine cantata by Manney, entitled "The Manger Throne," in the evening.

Sunday, December 21—11 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.

Postoffice Notice.

Narberth post office will be open to receive mail and parcels from 7:30 A. M. until 8 P. M., on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, December 22-23-24.

Be sure to have your house numbered and a mail receptacle or else your mail will have to be called for at the post office. Fred C. Patton, Post Master.

The FIRESIDE

Mr. and Mrs. James F. Hagerty and daughter, Miss Anne Hagerty, will spend the Christmas holidays in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Mrs. Charles W. Evans, of Chestnut avenue, entertained Thursday afternoon at a luncheon in honor of her mother's birthday.

Mrs. J. T. Howenstein, of Chestnut avenue, spent the early part of the week in Trenton, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. James W. Darville, of Merion avenue, have returned home from a trip through the South.

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Wood, of Forest avenue, were among those attending the New England dinner in the city Thursday evening.

Mrs. Joseph Cheppatte returned to her home on Haverford avenue, Wednesday, after undergoing a minor throat operation at the Jefferson Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter A. Fox, of Narbrook Park, and their sons will leave today for Buffalo where they plan to spend the holidays.

Mrs. R. E. Leech, of Elm Terrace, will entertain at bridge this afternoon.

Mr. J. B. MacKenzie, of Narbrook Park, is on a business trip to Rochester, New York.

Mrs. Russell, of Providence, Rhode Island, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. R. E. Leech, of Elm Terrace, over the holidays.

Mr. Robert K. Barclay, Jr., of 413 Dudley avenue, who is connected with the Pennsylvania Railroad System, will leave the evening of December 18, for Renovo, Pa., to which point he has been transferred. Mrs. Barclay, and the two sons, Robert, 3d, and David H., will remain in Narberth for the present.

Mrs. Carl B. Metzger entertained her bridge club on Wednesday of this week.

Donald Hoffman will return home from Dartmouth College this week.

Mr. W. H. Hartel, of Avon road, returned this week from a business trip to Washington, D. C.

Jack Jefferies is coaching the Freshman basketball team at Princeton this year.

Mr. Warren Anderson is building a new home on Lanthwyn lane. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson plan to move in about the first of February.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Cortright, of Wynndale road, are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son, William A. Cortright, 2d, on November 28. Mrs. Cortright, prior to her marriage, was Miss Gladys Paine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Paine, of the Touraine.

Corner Rounded.

The borough last week finished the rounding of the northeast corner of Haverford and Narberth avenues, where Cooper Brothers' store is now located.

Space for this improvement was allowed when the building was constructed, and the rounded corner has been found to be much safer for motorists.

It is hoped, when the other two corners are improved, that a similar plan can be put into operation, reducing the danger at this much-used intersection.

Meeting Postponed.

The regular meeting of the Women's Community Club has been postponed to Tuesday afternoon, December 30.

The program at that time includes a play by the Bryn Mawr Woman's Club and orchestra music.

The meeting will be in the nature of a reception to the members of Narberth's other women's organization.

First Concert By the Choral

Narberth Nucleus of Main Line Musical Body

On Tuesday evening, December 23, 8 P. M., at the Ardmore Presbyterian Church, the Main Line Choral Society will make its first appearance in a program, comprising an interesting collection of Christmas music. This program has been arranged by William P. Bentz, director of the organization, as illustrating the most typical of the old Christmas folk songs of the various countries of Europe, together with some compositions of more recent date. All of the selections are pre-eminently chorals and will be given, unaccompanied, by the 50 mixed voices which Mr. Bentz has been training.

This organization was formed recently by the consolidation of the various Main Line Chorus, including the Melody Club of Ardmore; the Bryn Mawr Chorus, and the Narberth Choral Society, some of which had previously been under Mr. Bentz's direction. As a result of the consolidation of these previously separate bodies, a wealth of excellent voices is made available and Mr. Bentz is taking full advantage of the material to develop a decidedly superior type of choral work.

It is hoped that all friends and supporters of the former organizations will attend this first effort of the Main Line Choral Society and judge for themselves the result of the consolidation. Admission to the concert will be by invitations, which have been mailed to all those associated with any of the old bodies, but the public in general is invited and will be accommodated so far as the seating capacity of the church will allow. The society is very anxious to have its work become known by the public, and that means the whole Main Line community, for it plans to give at least three more programs during the season and hopes to be able to sing at least once during the season in each Main Line center from Narberth to Wayne.

The program is as follows: "Hosanna" (Organ) Dubois Choral—"Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light," Johann Sebastian Bach

Carols: (a) "When the Sun Had Sunk to Rest" Old English (b) "In a Manger" (Russian). Ipolitov-Ivanov

(c) "The Three Kings" (Old Spanish) Arr. by Rev. L. Remau Instrumental Solo Two French Carols of the 16th Century: (a) "Sleep of the Child Jesus," Arr. by August Gavaert (b) "A Joyous Christmas Song" Arr. by August Gavaert

Carols: (a) "The First Noel" Old French (b) "Silent Night" Old German "Slumber Song of the Madonna" (Women's Voices) Colin Taylor Instrumental Solo (a) "Here a Torch, Jeannette" Old French (Attributed to Nicholas Saboly, 1610) (b) "A Bright Star Shining," J. Sebastian Matthews (c) "Ave Maria" Rachmaninoff "O Come, All Ye Faithful" Adeste Fideles

Bank Going Up.

The foundation work on the new building for the Narberth National Bank has been completed and a good part of the construction work for the upper floors is under way.

Building Inspector George B. Suplee has received a number of inquiries concerning the proximity of the south wall of the building to the pavement on Haverford avenue. These queries arise from the fact that the building line must be 10 feet from the curb.

It happens in this case, however, Mr. Suplee explains, that Haverford avenue is not resting easily on its bed, or, in other words, that it is ge-gawed. It is said that the Pennsylvania Railroad right-of-way is encroaching on the south side of the street to some extent, and eventually, if Haverford avenue is paved, the line of it will be moved over to the proper point.

If this is done, a part of the railroad yard will be moved back, and the old post office building, now occupied by the real estate office of Robert J. Nash would have to go.

Christmas Tree In the Park

Annual Event Will Be Marked by Carol Singing

Following the example set by the successful Christmas celebration last year, Narberth will again have a community Christmas tree and carol service. It will be under the joint auspices of the Woman's Community Club and the residents of Narbrook Park.

The Civic Committee of the Women's Community Club has been for some weeks quietly working on plans for the Community Christmas tree. Finding, however, that plans were also on foot for a tree in Narbrook Park, the two committees have decided to merge their efforts; so this season Narberth's Christmas tree will be placed in the beautiful setting of the park.

As before, Narberth is to be a singing town for an hour. The choirs of all the churches are asked to march singing to Windsor and Essex avenues, at exactly 6:55 P. M. From this point they will be led in a body to the park by a choir of men's voices, with cornets.

By order of the Burgess, about 15 minutes Windsor west of Essex will be closed to traffic until the marches reach the park. After that, autos may park on Windsor, but no autos will be allowed within the park during the service.

The service this year will consist of a short opening prayer, community singing of favorite carols and a brief address. In addition it is hoped that a triple quartet from the Main Line Choral will sing selected numbers from the concert program which they are giving at Ardmore Tuesday next.

The singing will be under the direction of Mr. George A. Mahl, of Narbrook Park. Rev. Robert E. Keighton, the new pastor of the Baptist Church, will give the address.

To make this beautiful Christmas eve service a great success and to inspire its becoming an integral part of our community life, the co-operation of all our citizens is earnestly asked by the committees in charge.

Come out to the service, singing, bring your hymnals and light the way to the tree with candles in your windows.

The following organizations have contributed to the expense of the tree: Women's Community Club, Narbrook Park Association, Civic Association, Tennis Club and Auxiliary, American Legion and Auxiliary, League of Women Voters, Westminster Circle, D. A. R.

If any other citizens or organizations desire to contribute the money can be well spent for extra lights.

Don't forget that on Christmas eve Narberth is to be "a singing town for an hour."

Saving Time.

The use of the recently purchased ash collection truck is saving considerable time each week in borough work. The collection of ashes and rubbish, for the first time, is being made on schedule.

In fact, the saving of time is so great that the work which formerly took an entire day with the horse-drawn wagons, is being finished during the morning. As a result there is enough time left for the borough force to keep up-to-date with the street-cleaning work, formerly neglected to a large extent during the winter.

Mrs. Roland Kelley, of Stepney Place, entertained at bridge Wednesday afternoon. Those present were Mrs. Robert Cameron, Mrs. Horace Moore, Mrs. Clifford Narrigan, Mrs. Victor Abel, Mrs. Franklin Dunlop, Mrs. Scott Seddan and Miss Florence Jacoby.

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SCHOOL NEWS

On Friday the Eighth special class had a Christmas party. A play entitled "A Christmas Carol" was part of their program.

Miss Eskbert's class gave a play called "Virginia Visits Santa Claus."

On Tuesday the boys' basketball team played Lower Merion. The final score was 15 to 10 in Lower Merion's favor.

The Christmas vacation will extend from Friday, December 19, to Monday, January 5th.

Owing to the short interval between Thanksgiving and Christmas, no plays were given this year. However, the following program was given in the assembly on Friday:

Joy to the World, entire school; Origins of Christmas, Miss Jenkins; White Snow Fairies (3d and 4th grades); It Came Upon the Midnight Clear, school; Under the Stars, solo, Betty Robb; O Little Town of Bethlehem, school; Oh Holy Night, Mary MacIntosh and school; Hark! the Herald Angels Sing, school; The Night Before Christmas, Ernestine Hunt; The Night After Christmas, Carrie Douglass; Gather 'Round the Xmas Tree, From the Starry Heavens High, Sixth Grades; Watchman What of the Night? school; Oh, Come All Ye Faithful, Latin students; Good King Wenceslas, school; We Three Kings of Orient Are, Three Boys; Silent Night, groups of children; The First Nowell, school.

The Ninth grade civics class has been collecting a fund to help the Pennsylvania Charter.

Some of the Elementary classes gave programs in their own rooms.

The standard tests that were given all over the United States were taken by the pupils of the Narberth schools and found to be very satisfactory.

On Friday, December 5, the basketball team played Kingsessing Recreation Centre and were beaten by them with the score of, 32 to 15.

The following Tuesday we played Montgomery Day School, whom we beat, 24 to 9.

A volley ball league has been started by Mr. Oerlein consisting of five teams. The teams and captains are as follows:

Ninth grade, Suplee; 8th A grade, Caldwell; 8th B grade, Thomas; 7th A grade, Claypoole; 7th B grade, Banfield.

The games are:
January 20—8-A vs. 8-B.
January 27—9 vs. 7-A.
February 3—8-B vs. 7-B.
February 10—9 vs. 8-A.
February 17—7-A vs. 7-B.
February 24—7-B vs. 9.
March 3—8-A vs. 7-A.
March 10—8-B vs. 9.
March 17—7-B vs. 8-A.

The honor students for the second period are as follows:

First Honors—
Grade IX—Jessie Richardson.
Grade VIII—William Henderson, Ruth Hopkins, Ernestine Hunt, Katharine Smith.

Second Honors—
Grade IX—Robert Barclay, Harry Messer, Ema Reese, Betty Robb, Horace Shenaman.

Grade VIII—Elizabeth Terry.
Grade VII—John Snyder.
Editors—Ruth Hopkins, Robert Stalken, Virginia Eynne, William Henderson.

Girl Scout News.

On Saturday, December 6, the Narberth Girl Scouts went to a "Scout Rally," at Miss Wright's School, in Bryn Mawr. The Narberth girls won a tie for second place with Haverford. The Narberth girls won first place in signalling and second place in the compass test.

There was a "preparedness contest" at the Court of Awards in Drexel Institute and district eight

(of which the Narberth troop is a part) won first place. The prize was an American flag with a large scout pin on the top of the pole. District eight won first place in first aid and in sewing.

NARBERTH NATIONAL BANK

The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank will be held at Borough Hall, Narberth, Pa., on Tuesday, January 20, 1925, between the hours of 5 and 6 P. M. for the election of directors to serve for the ensuing year and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

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week planned to further work of
modern highway construction
throughout the county, at a meeting
held at the home of Assemblyman
Burd P. Evans, Fairfield farms,
Trappe.

A call will be issued within a few
days by the officers to the authorities
of all boroughs and townships in
Montgomery county for the choos-
ing of representatives as members
of the association, these to report at
the next meeting, which will likely
be held in Lansdale.

Several large highway undertak-
ings, other than those already listed,
are being planned for by the State
Highway Department and the
County Commissioners, through
means to be procured by the State,
county and the respective districts.

The \$119,000 to be received by
Montgomery county from a former
Legislature appropriation will be
spent on upper-end roads, and the
\$208,000 of more recent allotment
to this county will be used on the
Welsh road from Willow Grove to
Lansdale.

GOLF PARLANCE

A story is told of an English
butler, named Milton, who took up
golf. He became so engrossed in
the game that he spoke thus at the
afternoon gathering of the Ladies'
Art and Poodle Fanciers' Club:

"The tee is ready, madam, watch
your hook, Mrs. Brigham-Young!"
He turned to the slouchy debutante:
"That's a rotten stawnee, my lady."
Just then Mrs. Pomp de Pomp
asked for some sugar and Milton
shot a lump square into her cup
from six yards. "A beautiful ap-
proach!" he snickered. So the lady
of the house had the groom "club"
Milton and "putt" him out and as he
was dragged along he muttered:
"Rotten form. But nothing links
me to that course. Tomorrow to
fresh greens and fairways new."

What's in a Name?

In a prospectus recently re-
ceived of the Philadelphia Civic
Opera Company's repertoire, we
find, among the artists, the name
of Fred Patton.

And so, we murmured to our-
selves, Narberth's cornetist-tenor
has risen to grand opera. "Our
Town's" star reporter was sent on
the trail, only to discover that our
citizens had been cheated of the
glory. Postmaster Patten firmly
denies any knowledge of the sing-
er masking his identity under a
similar name.
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TWO MORE FLOORS

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ing in Ardmore.

Workmen started last Monday to
build scaffolding as a preliminary
to the erection of two additional
stories on the banking building of
the Merion Title and Trust Com-
pany, at Ardmore. When Com-
pleted the building will be one of
the highest used for business pur-
poses along the Main Line.

At the same time the plans call
for construction of a large safe de-
posit vault and silver storage vault
in the basement. This will permit
the removal of the present vault on
the main banking floor, so that the
bank lobby will be run through the
space it now covers. The basement,
where 4000 safe deposit boxes will
be made available, will also be laid
out with a commodious reception
room, numerous coupon booths and
several conference rooms.

The two new stories will provide
room badly needed because of the
ever-increasing business of the com-
pany, and will, especially, provide
room absolutely required by the
greatly enlarged title plant and set-
tlement rooms of the real estate and
title departments. There will also
be offices provided above the main
banking floor by the addition for the
bookkeeping, analysis and statistical
departments.

Public access to the upper floors
will be provided by an electric ele-
vator system running from the front
of the bank.

These changes will provide for
additional service to the community
and will enable the company to serve
still better its large clientele.

There are at present 91 employees
in the Merion Title and Trust Com-
pany and it has been figured that
there have been as many as 400
customers enter the bank in one
hour's time. The company has
15,000 accounts, \$6,300,000 in de-
posits, and has just recently topped
the \$8,000,000 mark in total re-
sources, making the company the
second largest in the county.

MAIN LINE GIRL SCOUTS

Win First Honors in Winter Court of
Awards.

Girl Scouts of District 8, repre-
senting Main Line towns, won first
honors at the Winter Court of
Awards last Saturday at the Drexel
Institute.

Taking first place in the sewing
and first-aid contests, District 8
scored 55 points and gained posses-
sion of the chief of three flags
awarded annually by the Philadel-
phia Chapter of the American Revolu-
tion to the three districts making
the best showing.

District 7, of the York road sec-
tion, took second place with 40
points. District 3, of West Phila-
delphia, with first place in the nature
and one-minute oratorical contests,
gained the third flag. The contests
were sprung as surprises, so that no
preparation could be made by the
participants.

"Why Philadelphia Girl Scouts
should work for the National Cam-
paign Fund" was the topic of the
one-minute speeches. District 6,
representing Delaware county, was
placed second, and District 7, third.
Cheering swept the hall, in which
nearly 1000 khaki-clad Girl Scouts
were gathered, when Mrs. David S.
Stern, chairman of the Court of
Awards, announced the winners.

In presenting the flags, Mrs.
George M. Ball stressed the value of
the ideals of health, womanhood and
citizenship maintained by the Girl
Scouts and declared that "if these
are carried out you will have done
much to raise the standards of the
womanhood of the future."

KISSES AND CUSTOMS

Incomprehensible in Japan, Disgrace-
ful in China, Supernatural in
Iceland.

Although the kiss is unknown, or
at any rate neglected, in many parts
of the world, nearly every nation
has some form of salutation which
corresponds with the European
kiss. The Malays and the Eskimos
greet each other by rubbing noses.
Among the Burmese the form of
greeting which denotes affection is
to apply the cheek and draw a long
breath. In Iceland the people do
not understand the kiss as a mode
of salutation, but it is regarded as
something belonging to the super-
natural. If a child is ill you will
sometimes see its mother solemnly
kiss the little one on the breast—an
invocation to the Supreme Being
that her child may be cured.

The Japanese lover does not sa-
lute his betrothed in our fashion.
He regards kissing as a queer for-
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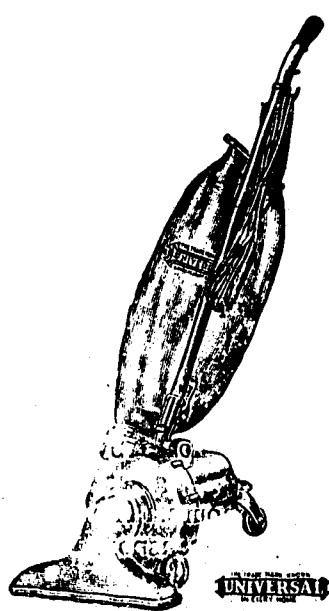
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PLAN MERION APARTMENT

\$1,000,000 Structure May be Erected
Over Protests of Residents.

The erection of a \$1,000,000 apartment house in exclusive Merion may be allowed over the protests of numerous residents because of the omission of the letter "a" in a deed drawn four years ago. Whether or not the apartment house will be built will be decided by Judges Miller and Williams, of Montgomery county.

Harry B. Hoffman, paper box manufacturer, purchased a plot of ground on Baird avenue between Hazelhurst avenue and Heath road from George R. McAbee, operating as the Highland Avenue Improvement Company, some time ago. Hoffman plans to build on this lot a large apartment house equipped with a public dining room, a swimming pool and other features.

The deed conveying the lot to Hoffman stipulates that the land is to be used for no purpose "other than private residence." Samuel L. Borton, Hoffman's attorney, claims the deed should have been written "other than a private residence."

Hoffman brought action under the Declaratory Judgment Act passed by the Pennsylvania Legislature in 1923, and in it Mr. McAbee, Russel Brinton, George V. Gergh and 12 other residents of Merion are named as defendants.

W. J. Conlen, attorney for the defendants, raised an important legal point in declaring the act unconstitutional in that the judgment of a question other than judicial has been imposed upon the courts by the Legislature. He says no legal controversy has been raised and that the Court has nothing to determine legally. Mr. Conlen declares that such a project as is proposed is clearly barred by the restriction clauses in the original deed.

Hoffman plans to build a three-story structure containing apartments of one, four and six rooms. The lot is 202 by 400 feet.

The Zoning Commission.

The Zoning Commission of Lower Merion, consisting of Major John L. Evans, W. H. C. Ramsey, Andrew MacDonald, William G. Frankenfield and Frank Seeburger, met Tuesday evening and made considerable progress on their work.

The commission is holding weekly meetings and hopes to be able in a few months to present a report to the Township Commissioners.

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WYNNEFIELD BUSINESS
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Many improvements, nearly all of a business character, are under way on Fifty-fourth street in Wynnefield, from a point above Jefferson street almost to City avenue near Bala. A number of end residences on the street have been converted into stores, and several operations of stores and apartments are almost completed. The whole trend of development along Fifty-fourth street points to the conclusion that it will be the business section of Wynnefield within a few years. No business section is complete without a motion picture theatre, and Fifty-fourth street is to have a picture house in the near future, to be built by the Stanley Company.

There is little evidence of change in the rest of Wynnefield, which, with Overbrook, its neighbor, constitutes one of the finest semisuburban residential sections within the city limits. There are many who desire to live within the city limits with suburban surroundings, and to those Overbrook and Wynnefield have appealed.

On Estate of Dr. Wynn.

Wynnefield is built largely on the old country estate of Dr. Thomas Wynn, physician to William Penn, who accompanied the proprietor on his first trip to America, and who was given large tracts of land along the Main Line, afterward known as the Welsh tract. A large part of Wynnefield and some of Overbrook is built on the old George farm of 450 acres, which began to be broken up in the early seventies with the death of David George and the division of his large holdings among his six children.

Three hundred and twelve acres of the tract were purchased in 1720 by Edward George from Edward Roberts for 446 pounds Pennsylvania money. Edward George subsequently acquired other small tracts adjoining. The land passed from father to son for more than a century and came into the possession of Jesse George, a grandson of the original owner, early in the nineteenth century. In 1839 he purchased an adjoining tract of 13 acres from William Allen for 17 pounds, 3 shillings. His son, David George, died in the early sixties, leaving the estate to be parceled out among his six children.

Part of Fairmount Park.

The City of Philadelphia took about 100 acres of the tract and added it to Fairmount Park, where it still is known as Georges Hill. The other ground was cut up into city lots and began to be sold off in the early seventies, though neither Wynnefield nor Overbrook got under way until some years later.

One of the greatest charms of Wynnefield is the rolling nature of the ground, covered by forest growth of many years and intersected by broad, winding avenues. Almost any part of it or Overbrook can be reached from City Hall by motor in about 20 minutes.

THE VULGAR TONGUE

New "Shorthand" Slangage of Our "Go-Getters."

"There is a shorthand appearing among the American 'go-getters' which sends a shudder down the spine of anyone who cares for the right word rightly used," says Charles H. Iowne, in Harper's. "The fundamental decencies and niceties of our language are utterly ignored by a new riff-raff who have taken complete possession of the publicity field: and just as when Latin went out of certain college curriculums, a fresh evidence of carelessness and rush appeared in our national consciousness, so an added menace is seen in electric signs which announce that 'vovvil is given twice daily at this or that theatre'.

"We are confronted, not with the old and reliable 'restaurant,' but with a hideous counterpart of it—'eats.' Into the rubbish heap has gone the picturesque 'frankfurters,' and in its place has come—'franks.' Real estate dealers are no longer content to be just that; they must be known as 'realtors.' And conversely with a sort of roguish superiority the good old undertakers in California particularly, prefer nowadays to call themselves gradiloquently 'morticians.'"

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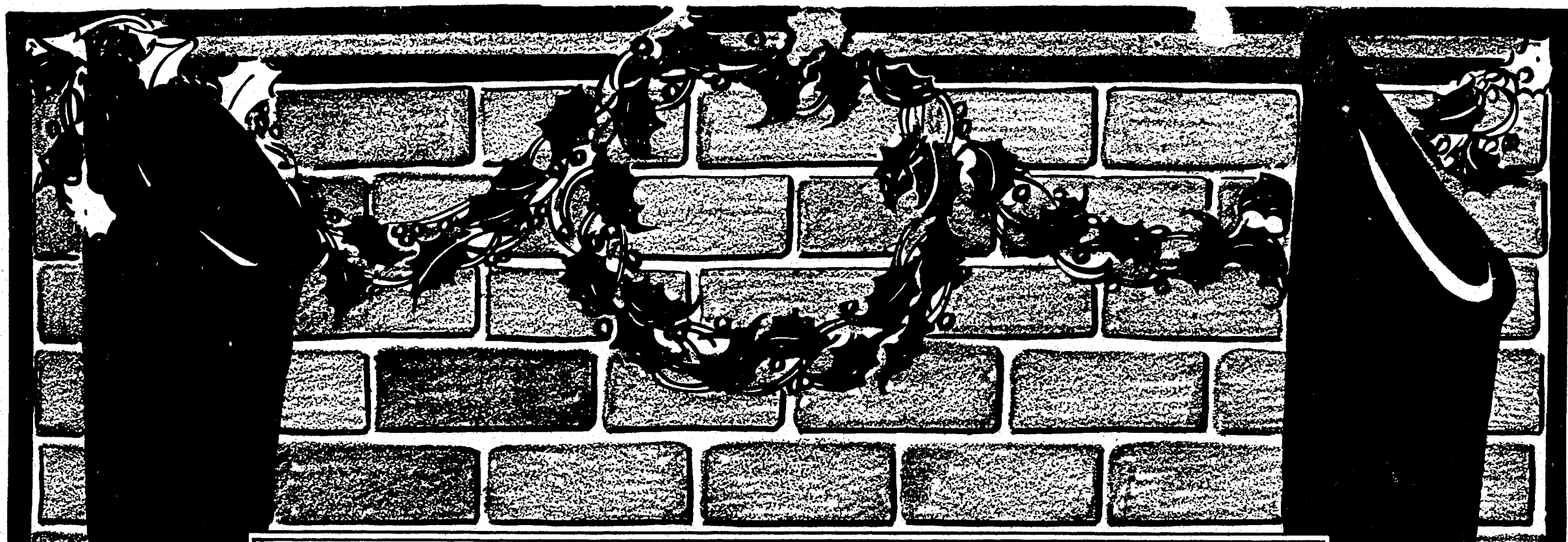
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